



PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of

Docket No: Q77369

USUI, Minoru, et al.

Appln. No.: 10/662,397

Group Art Unit: 2856

Confirmation No.: 1476

Examiner: Andre JACKSON

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For: LIQUID CONSUMPTION STATUS DETECTING METHOD, LIQUID CONTAINER,
AND INK CARTRIDGE

RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111

MAIL STOP AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated May 18, 2004—the period for response having been extended to November 18, 2004 by an appropriate petition and check filed herewith—please consider the remarks as submitted herewith on the accompanying pages.

REMARKS

Claims 20-34 are all the claims pending in the application. Reconsideration and allowance of all the claims are respectfully requested in view of the following remarks.

Priority

Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner acknowledge receipt of the priority documents as filed in parent application US Ser. No. 09/574,015.